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June 28, 2002

**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Cleveland D. Prince, Jr. and Jodie E. Prince
244 Winch Hill Road
Swanzey, NH 03446

Re: Administrative Order No. WMD 02-17

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Prince:

Enclosed is Administrative Order No. WMD 02-17 issued this date to you as a result of an inspection conducted on April 25, 2002.

Should you have any questions regarding this order, please contact George Carrigan or me at 271-3899.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Marschner, Administrator
Waste Management Programs
Department of Environmental Services

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
No. WMD 02-17**

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A. INTRODUCTION

This Administrative Order is issued by the Department of Environmental Services, Waste Management Division to Cleveland D. Prince, Jr. and Jodie E. Prince pursuant to RSA 149-M:15, I. This Administrative Order is effective upon issuance.

B. PARTIES

1. The Department of Environmental Services, Waste Management Division ("DES"), is a duly constituted administrative agency of the State of New Hampshire, having its principal office at 6 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301.
2. Cleveland D. Prince, Jr. and Jodie E. Prince are individuals having a mailing address of 244 Winch Hill Road, Swanzey, NH 03446.

C. STATEMENTS OF FACTS AND LAW

1. RSA 149-M authorizes DES to regulate the management of solid waste in the State of New Hampshire. RSA 149-M:7 authorizes the Commissioner of DES to adopt rules to implement solid waste management standards. Pursuant to this authority, the Commissioner has adopted Env-Wm 100-300 and Env-Wm 2100-3700 ("Solid Waste Rules").
2. Cleveland D. Prince, Jr. and Jodie E. Prince are the owners of land located at 244 Winch Hill Road, Swanzey, NH, more particularly described in a deed recorded in the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds at Book 1582, Page 868, and identified on Swanzey Tax Map 65, as Lot 1-1 (the "Site").
3. On April 4, 2002, DES personnel received a complaint alleging that solid waste was being dumped at the Site and used as fill.
4. On April 25, 2002, DES personnel investigated the complaint by conducting an inspection of the Site. The purpose of the inspection was to determine Cleveland and Jodie Prince's compliance status relative to RSA 149-M and the Solid Waste Rules.
5. RSA 149-M:4, XXII defines "solid waste" as "any matter consisting of putrescible material, refuse, residue from an air pollution control facility, and other discarded or abandoned material."

6. RSA 149-M:4, XXI defines "refuse" in part, as "any waste product ... which is composed wholly or partly of such materials as ... brick, plaster or other waste resulting from the demolition, alteration, or construction of buildings or structures; or accumulated waste material, cans, containers, tires, junk, or other such substances which may become a nuisance."

7. Env-Wm 102.42 defines "construction and demolition debris" in part, as "non-putrescible waste building materials and rubble which is solid waste resulting from the construction, remodeling, repair or demolition of structures or roads. The term includes but is not limited to, bricks, concrete and other masonry materials, wood, wall coverings, plaster, dry wall, plumbing, fixtures, non-asbestos insulation or roofing shingles, asphaltic pavement, glass, plastics that are not sealed in a manner that conceals other wastes and electrical wiring and components, incidental to any of the above and containing no hazardous liquid or metals. The term does not include asbestos waste, garbage, corrugated container board, electrical fixtures containing hazardous liquids such as fluorescent light ballasts or transformers, furniture, appliances, tires, drums and containers, and fuel tanks."

8. During the April 25 inspection, DES personnel observed approximately 140 cubic yards of total waste, including soil, wood, insulation, vinyl siding, wire, and bricks at the Site. The location of the waste indicates that it is being used to expand the vehicle parking area at the Site.

9. The wood, insulation, vinyl siding, wire, and bricks observed by DES personnel at the Site are solid waste as defined by RSA 149-M:4, XXII.

10. RSA 149-M:4, IX defines a "[solid waste] facility" as "a location, system, or physical structure for the collection, separation, storage, transfer, processing, treatment or disposal of solid waste."

1 The Site constitutes a "solid waste facility" as defined by RSA 149-M:4, IX.

12. Env-Wm 102.16 defines "owner" as "a person who owns a facility or part of a [solid waste] facility."

13. Cleveland Prince, Jr. and Jodie Prince are the owners of a solid waste facility.

14. RSA 149-M:9, I states that "No person shall construct, operate or initiate closure of a public or private facility without first obtaining a permit from [DES]."

15. A review of DES files show that neither Cleveland Prince, Jr. nor Jodie Prince has applied for or holds a permit to operate a solid waste facility at any New Hampshire location.

16. On April 30, 2002, DES personnel met with Jodie Prince and Cleveland Prince, Sr. to discuss the solid waste issues at the Site. Ms. Prince informed DES personnel that the solid waste observed at the Site had been brought to the Site by Warren Wilbur. Mr. and Ms. Prince were informed by DES personnel that the solid waste would need to be removed and disposed of at a permitted solid waste facility.

17. On May 1, 2002, Cleveland Prince, Jr. contacted DES personnel. During the telephone conversation, Mr. Prince informed DES personnel that he had accepted money from Mr. Wilbur to have the solid waste brought to the Site.

18. On May 1, 2002, DES personnel contacted Mr. Wilbur to discuss the solid waste issues at the Site. Mr. Wilbur informed DES personnel that he had paid Mr. Prince to burn the solid waste at the Site.

19. On May 2, 2002, DES personnel conducted a follow-up inspection of the Site. DES personnel met with Cleveland Prince, Sr. and Warren Wilbur d/b/a C&W Excavating. Mr. Wilbur admitted to DES personnel that he had brought approximately 60 cubic yards of solid waste to the Site. DES personnel explained to Mr. Prince and Mr. Wilbur that the solid waste at the Site would need to be removed to a permitted solid waste facility.

D. DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS

1. Cleveland Prince, Jr. and Jodie Prince have violated RSA 149-M:9, I by operating a solid waste facility without first obtaining a permit from DES.

E. ORDER

Based on the above findings, DES hereby orders Cleveland Prince, Jr. and Jodie Prince as follows

- 1 **Immediately** cease operating an unpermitted solid waste facility.
2. **Within 90 days** the date of this Order, remove all solid waste at the Site to a permitted solid waste facility.
3. Submit one written status report to DES **within 100 days** certifying that corrective measures have been implemented and compliance achieved. Include in the report supporting documentation describing those measures taken to achieve compliance, copies of any written plans or proceedings developed, and **copies of disposal receipts**.
4. Send correspondence, data, reports, and other submissions made in connection with this Administrative Order, **other than appeals**, to DES as follows:

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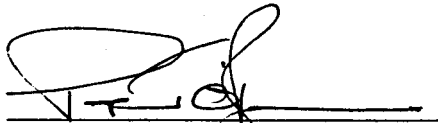
F. APPEAL

Any person aggrieved by this Order may appeal the Order to the Waste Management Council by filing an appeal that meets the requirements specified in Env-WMC 200 within 30 days of the date of this Order. Copies of the rule are available from the DES Public Information Center at (603) 271-2975 or at <http://www.des.state.nh.us/desadmin.htm>. Appealing the Order does not automatically relieve Cleveland Prince, Jr. or Jodie Prince of the obligation to comply with the Order.

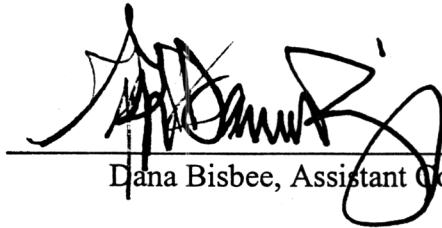
G. OTHER PROVISIONS

Please note that RSA 149-M provides for civil and criminal penalties and administrative fines for violations of the statute or any rule adopted by DES relative to the statute, as well as for violations of this Order. RSA 149-M:15 provides for civil forfeitures of up to \$25,000 for each day of a continuing violation, in addition to enforcement by injunctive relief. In the event that compliance is not achieved, DES may take further action against Cleveland Prince, Jr. and Jodie Prince, including referring the matter to the New Hampshire Department of Justice for imposition of civil or criminal penalties. DES reserves the right to pursue administrative penalties for the violations noted above.

This Order is being recorded in the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds so as to run with the land.



Philip J. O'Brien, Ph.D., Director
Waste Management Division



Dana Bisbee, Assistant Commissioner

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